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February 15, 2001

Dear Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME - ONE MONTH

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant(s) request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action dated October 27, 2000, in the above-identified file. Applicants' response to the Office Action is enclosed herewith.

Please withdraw \$55.00 from Sidley & Austin's Deposit Account No. 18-1260, to be applied pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). In the event that this is unacceptable or insufficient, Please charge the required fee to Sidley & Austin's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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